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1. WHILE WE WELCOME CINCPAC SUPPORT AND WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY SOLICIT CINCPAC ASSISTANCE IN FUTURE CONDUCT MPWASE, THE KIND OF PUSH DESCRIBED IN REF IS MORE LIKELY TO COMPLICATE THAN SIMPLIFY MATTERS. IN PARTICULAR, REQUEST THAT CINCPAC MESSAGE TO SECDEF AND CITED INFO ADDRESSEES QUOTED REF BE SHORTSTOPPED ~~XX~~ IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

2. AS YOU KNOW, AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN ALREADY INFORMED BY COS VIENTIANE AND HAS GIVEN IN PRINCIPAL ~~LE~~ APPROVAL. AT THIS END, WE ALREADY WORKING WITH APPROPRIATE PENTAGON COMPONENTS, ~~AND~~ ^{SACSA AND} STARBIRD GROUP WHICH FUNCTIONS AS ARM OF SECDEF OFFICE. ~~AND~~ FROM SACSA WE HAVE OBTAINED LOAN OF C-130 FOR FINAL DROP TESTS TO BE CONDUCTED WITH SACSA COOPERATION.

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3. YOU CAN ASSURE CINCPAC AND PACAF WE PROCEEDING ON THIS PROJECT WITH ALL POSSIBLE SPEED AND WILL KEEP CINCPAC FULLY INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR. HEADQUARTERS TEAM WILL STOP ☐ TO GIVE DETAILED BRIEFINGS EN ROUTE LAOS TEST.

4. WE OBVIOUSLY WANT AND NEED ALL POSSIBLE MILITARY COOPERATION AND, HENCE, WELCOME CINCPAC ~~XXXX~~ ATTITUDE. HOWEVER, REQUEST YOU DO YOUR BEST PREVENT PRECIPITATE CINCPAC ACTION WHICH CAN ONLY COMPLICATE OUR EFFORTS HERE AND IN THE FIELD. THIS BROTH CAN EASILY BE SPOILED BY TOO MANY COOKS.

END OF MESSAGE

Desmond Fitzgerald, DDP
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